IN THE UNRUBESPATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Lonnie O. Ingram, et al.

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For: METHODS FOR IMPROVING CELL GROWTH AND ALCOHOL PRODUCTION DURING FERMENTATION

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Commissioner for Patents Box Missing Parts Washington, D.C. 20231 Group Art Unit: 1633

Examiner: Not Assigned



REQUEST FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants request a five-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) in which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated August 15, 2001.

Enclosed is a check, which covers the appropriate fee of \$980.00 based on small entity status. Please charge any underpayments or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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